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Your Petitioners, Gene Stauffer and Stephen Goecke, each citizens of the United States of America and residents of the State of Nebraska, whose residence and mailing address for Gene Stauffer is 5013 East Platteview Drive, P.O. Box 126, Cedar Creek, Nebraska 68016 and for Stephen Goecke is 5011 East Platteview Drive, P.O. Box 137, Cedar Creek, Nebraska 68016, pray that Letters Patent Protection be granted to them for a

## DUAL OPTION TAPE MEASURE

as set forth in the following specification:

### Cross-Reference to Related Provisional Application

This application claims priority to the filing date of related provisional patent application serial No. 60/492,623 filed August 5, 2003.

### Background of the Invention

#### 1. Technical Field

The present invention relates to tape measure devices and, more particularly, to a dual option tape measure which includes a body in which a flexible metal or plastic measuring tape is wound, a forward tongue section connected to, extending forwardly from and pivotably mounted on the outer end of the measuring tape, a rear tail section mounted on the rear of the tape measure body which is movable between extended and retracted positions, and two distinct sets of measurement numbers printed on the flexible measuring tape for instantly providing internal or external measurements,

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CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

The title of the invention was misprinted by the Patent Office during the issuance of the application as "Duel Option Tape Measure". Copies of the originally submitted first page of the application are included herewith as evidence of the correct title as submitted. In fact, it appears that throughout the entire prosecution of the patent application, the correct title was used, but at some point in the Issuance Department, the title was accidentally changed. Applicants respectfully request that the original title as submitted be reapplied to the patent.

The correct title should read "Dual Option Tape Measure", and correction is hereby respectfully requested.



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